

Supervisor Romaine Urges Residents and Businesses to Conserve Energy During Current Heat Wave

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Farmingville, NY – Supervisor Ed Romaine is urging residents and business owners to reduce energy usage this week as temperatures are expected to reach well into the high 90s during the current heat wave. To help reduce electric power demand, the Supervisor recommends closing blinds and curtains, keeping lights off, increasing air conditioner temperatures and shutting off unused electronic devices. By taking these simple steps, especially during afternoon peak times, we can significantly lower energy usage and help to avoid brownouts, local power outages or even system wide outages.

Supervisor Romaine said, "It's natural for people to turn their air conditioners up to high cool during a heat wave, but that can stress the system until it cannot keep up with the demand. I ask everyone to do their part to cut energy usage, not only during this heat wave, but throughout the summer months. It's a great way to save money, conserve energy and reduce our carbon footprint as well.

To learn more about energy conservation, visit the New York State Energy Research and Development Agency (NYSERDA) website at www.nyserda.ny.gov.

To report electric outages and emergencies, call PSEG Long Island at 1-800-490-0075.

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